

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Toshihiro TANAKA et al.

Mail Stop PCT

Appl. No. : Not Yet Assigned (U.S. National Phase of PCT/JP2004/012151)

I.A. Filed : August 18, 2004

For : METHOD OF JUDGING INFLAMMATORY DISEASE BY USING SINGLE
NUCLEOTIDE POLYMORPHISM IN GALECTIN-2 GENE


CLAIM OF PRIORITY

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Service Window, Mail Stop PCT
Randolph Building
401 Dulany Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

Applicant hereby claims the right of priority granted pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119 and 365 based upon Japanese Application No. 2003-207698, filed August 18, 2003. The International Bureau already should have sent a certified copy of the Japanese application to the United States designated office. If the certified copy has not arrived, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,
Toshihiro TANAKA et al.


Bruce H. Bernstein *Leslie J. Paperner*
Reg. No. 29,027 *Reg. No. 33,329*

February 17, 2006
GREENBLUM & BERNSTEIN, P.L.C.
1950 Roland Clarke Place
Reston, VA 20191
(703) 716-1191